on all India basis and overall availability of funds etc.

(c) No, Sir.

Claims under Central Road Fund

3720. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the amounts of claims of different State Governments pending with the Central Government under Central Road Fund ; and

(b) by when these are likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) A statement (See below) indicating the amount due to various State Governments under Central Road Fund is attached.

(b) The Schemes under Central Road Fund of various State Governments could not be approved as the State have either not sent any proposals or the proposals are under correspondence.

Statement

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Name of State/UT	Amount available upto 31-3-92 under Central Road Fund
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	—
2	Arunachal Pradesh	45.66
3	Assam	—
4	Bihar	—
5	Goa	70.62
6	Gujarat	—
7	Haryana	—
8	Himachal Pradesh	30.49
9	Jammu & Kashmir	14.66
10	Karnataka	5.57
11	Kerala	28.00
12	Madhya Tradesh	8.70
13	Maharashtra	—
14	Manipur	17.88
15	Meghalaya	0.66
16	Mizoram.	—
17	Nagaland	53.81
18	Orissa	—
19	Punjab	399.00
20	Rajasthan	—
21	Sikkim	39.17
22	Tamil Nadu	9.35
23	Tripura	—
24	Uttar Pradesh	—
25	West Bengal	—
26	Andaman & Nicobar Island	8.02
27	Chandigarh	38.21
28	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3.19
29	Daman & Diu	2.10
30	Delhi	869.42
31	Lakshadweep	—
32	Pondicherry	64.58

Accidents due to Negligence of DTC Drivers

3721. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a doctor at the AIIMS in the capital has pointed out that a number of fracture cases reported in hospitals are of the people hurt while boarding or alighting from DTC buses ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that DTC drivers do not stop the buses at the bus stops and drive the buses without waiting for the passengers to board properly resulting in accidents ; and

(c) if so, what remedial action Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) The DTC have taken following steps with a view to ensure the safety of the passengers :—

Instructions have been given to the drivers to stop the buses to a dead halt of the extreme left hand side of the road on the space near the kerv for safe boarding and alighting of the passengers and not to move the buses till the passengers board/alight from the buses.

Depot Managers also instruct the drivers through public address system and notice boards etc. to comply with the above instructions in true spirit.

In case of violation of such instructions or on receipt of any complaint in this regard strict disciplinary action is being taken against the erring staff.

The Traffic Supervisory staff have been deployed on important bus stands during the peak hours to ensure proper parking of buses at the stands for safe boarding/alighting of passengers.

Refresher courses are conducted for the drivers in the Training School from time to time.

Checking squads have been deployed to check the driving habits of the drivers.

Films and TV media slides are being arranged with the help of Traffic Police.

An incentive scheme with reward of Rs. 1,000/- has been introduced for the driers who are not involved in any accident throughout the year.

Shipping Corporation of India

3722. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Shipping Corporation of India has purchased 8 oil tankers from South Korea ; if so, full accounts of the purchase deal alongwith other global bidders, if any ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Chairman of the corporation was suspended as a result of C.B.I. enquiry if so, what are the reasons for reinstating him ;

(c) whether Government propose to institute a case gainst the said officer ; and

(d) what are the details of the purchases made from overseas by the Shipping Corpoation of India and Moghal Lines, during the Chairmanship of Admiral R.K.S. Gandhi ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Yes, Sir. Shipping Corporation of India purchased 8 crude oil tankers from South Korea. These 8 oil tankers were ordered from Hyundai Heavy Industries Company Limited, South Korea at a cost of US £24.4 million per vessel. Based on the price and payment terms, received by Shipping Corporation of India from the shortlisted yards shown below, the offer from M/s. Hyundai was adjudged to be the best and they were selected for award of the contract :